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| For:  | SYNTHESIS METHOD OF ALANYLGLUTAMINE (AMENDED)                                     | )                    |  |  |
| Examiner:   | Shyam S. Shirali  | )                    |  |  |
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| Sir:  |   |                      |  |  |
| Transmitted herewith is an Amendment "A" and Response for entry in the above-identified application.  |   |                      |  |  |
| Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted. |   |                      |  |  |
| To secure the approval of the Examiner for proposed amendments to the drawings, enclosed are the following:                                 |   |                      |  |  |
| · .   | Set of () sheets of drawings containing including the proposed amendments thereio |                      |  |  |

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## AMENDMENT "A" AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 21, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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